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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
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Re: FCC Docket No. 08-4, Hawaiian Telcom Petition for Waiver of High-cost Universal Support Rules

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The Hawaii Island Chamber of Commerce appreciates the opportunity to comment on Hawaiian Telcom's petition of waiver for universal support.

The Hawaii Island Chamber of Commerce was founded in 1898 and serves members from East Hawaii as well as member businesses from all over our Island, statewide, and some national and international organizations. Since we are the voice of business of East Hawaii and beyond, we promote our island, its products and services by providing information to people all over the world, influencing legislation and government policies, sponsoring seminars and programs to help members conduct better business, collecting and dispensing information on business trends, legislation and new developments for members.

While the Chamber cannot comment on the technical part of the petition, it can support its intent of increasing telecommunications services to the State of Hawaii. The Chamber is also supportive because most of the universal service support Hawaiian Telcom receives would be used for the neighbor islands.

The Hawaii Island Chamber of Commerce appreciates the opportunity to comment on this issue.

Sincerely,

Robert G. Williams
President
Hawaii'i Island Chamber of Commerce